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None to report.

B. OTHER ACTIVITIES

1. Interviews are being conducted and files studied preparatory to special QRP's to be held on 16 January.

2.  called to discuss LAS interest in his survey. We offered to give him such views as we believe will facilitate his survey and evaluation of non-OTR language training.

3. What we believe to be a mutually-agreeable arrangement between FE and us on employment of Dr.  was completed this week.

4. A delegation from OCI called wearing red faces to state that it would be necessary to withdraw approved request for Harvard training for  - on whom we had spent much time and two QRP's.

5. On a crash basis, the School arranged with the AF member at Wright-Patterson AFB of the IAC Roundtable to accept on the following working day an Agency employee in advanced Chinese at Yale. With a tip to R/TR, R/TR had magnificently completed all processing by the time we had AF approval. (This is the fourth person we have entered into an Air Force-sponsored course this month without cost to the Agency. General availability of Air Force courses to the Agency is a development since creation of the IAC Roundtable and a tangible benefit thereof.)

6. First draft of a "discussion piece" on reorganization of LAS was completed and sent to A/DTR on a previously-set target date of 15 January.

7. General  and two members of his staff have resumed study of French under

8. A seminar for senior personnel on strategic problems in Free Europe was strongly supported by interested DDP representatives meeting with  and  and will be scheduled for the fall, to run one day a week, 1200 to 1445 hours, for ten weeks.

This was a follow-up on DDP views

25X1 expressed at the [ ] conference in December, where seminar-level area  
25X1 training was given Number One priority for the Western Europe area. A meet-  
ing on the prospective seminar with appropriate DDI people will be held fol-  
lowing the second [ ] conference on area training, scheduled for 5 Feb-  
ruary. Seminar enrollment will be limited to twelve, Agency only, on a quota  
basis. Apparent interest suggests the need for at least two offerings a year.

25X1 9. Inquiries about a "Hungary-Basic Country Survey #1" continue to be re-  
ceived. Interest in this course is obviously higher than for any previously  
considered BCS within the Europe area. Scheduling of this course still waits  
upon our negotiations for [ ] (EE), being handled by PO/TR.

10. France-Basic Country Survey #1 beginning 11 February, will feature  
more adequate time for student discussion and formal study than previously  
scheduled in BCS's. The highly satisfactory list of lecturers will be in-  
cluded in the February Bulletin.

11. The 5 February area conference at [ ] will be attended by about 25X1  
15 senior DDI and DES personnel, of whom 12 are firmly committed at this date,  
6 at the AD-DAD level.

25X1 12. The Soviet Bloc Geography class, under Lt. Col. [ ] 25X1  
started last week in [ ] Auditorium. Thirty-five regular students included  
representatives from ORR (21), FDD (8), [ ] (3), OCR (1), DA (1), and DAF (1). 25X1  
In addition there were two auditors. The initial three-hour presentation was  
climaxed with showing a feature-length travelogue entitled "This is Russia,"  
recently released by Universal International. Commencing 15 January, owing to  
the lack of adequate classroom space, the class will be divided into two sec-  
tions which will meet in Room 2925 Quarters Eye. Section 1 will meet from  
0900 to 1200 hours Mondays and Wednesdays; Section 2 will meet from 0900 to 1200  
hours Tuesdays and Thursdays. This doubles the classroom burden of the prin-  
cipal instructor.

13. East Asia-Regional Survey finished on 10 January with a regular at-  
tendance of seven. The class papers already submitted show a high standard  
of performance.

25X1 14. [ ] has been requested to admit sixteen FSI students to his  
Southeast Asia-Regional Survey. The 16 are studying languages of the area and  
the FSI considers it desirable that they have some area training as well.

25X1 15. [ ] have undertaken the preliminary conversation for  
25X1 a joint planning conference at [ ] for the purpose of coordinating and  
extending area training covering the Communist controlled and dominated areas.

16. A recent revision in the establishment of the ES/LAS Library in 1920  
Quarters Eye has uncovered a wealth of material and will prove a real asset to  
that department. Under the direction of Mrs. [ ] several members of 25X1  
the OTR Library donated their time to rearranging and cataloging all material

on hand. We are very grateful to them for their assistance. The new arrangement should make it far more accessible for those who desire to use material on the Slavic languages and Far Eastern language and area books.

17. Eastern Studies/LAS takes this occasion to comment on Item 4 of LAS's weekly report of 9 January. Not only were all the telephones in use that week in 2129 I Building, but also in 1926 Quarters Eye, and Betty and Pete deserve credit for their assistance in setting up the third trimester of the after-hours program.

18. The Polish Proficiency Test was given on 7 January for one person by special request. Mrs. [ ] EE, served on the oral panel.

19. [ ] worked on the editing and reproduction of the proficiency tests. In this connection he spent a couple of days at FDD conferring with various test contributors. He consulted with Mr. [ ] (OL/PSD) about printing the tests.

